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In re patent application of

Ke-Wen DONG et al.

Serial No. 09/252,828

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Examiner: Lisa V. COOK

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For: **RECOMBINANT BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE HUMAN ZONA PELLUCIDA PROTEIN  
3 (hZP3) TO TEST MALE FERTILITY**

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed on May 9, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the specification:

On page 1, before the first sentence of the specification, please add "This application claims benefit of Provisional Application Ser. No. 60/075,079 filed February 19, 1998."

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On page 3, line 24, please delete "Id" and replace therefore with "Dev. Biol. 151: 48-54 (1992)."

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1,2, and 6-24 without prejudice or disclaimer.